

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

LAPORTE COUNTY

555 Michigan Avenue, Suite 202 LaPorte, IN 46350-3400 Phone: (219) 326-6808 ext. 2229 - FAX: (219) 326-9103 Dave Decker. **President**

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Michael Bohacek. Member

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AGENDA

LAPORTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

To be held at 10:00 a.m. in the LaPorte County Complex Meeting Room #3

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Commissioner Decker called the meeting to order.

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL

All Commissioners were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Kora moves to approve the agenda. Commissioner Bohacek seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.

- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - April 20, 2016-Correction May 8, 2016

Commissioner Kora moves to approve. Commissioner Bohacek seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.

- 6. **CLAIMS**
 - Payroll Ending 05/20/2016-\$1,054,883.79

Miscellaneous Claims-\$1,205,235.70

Commissioner Bohacek moves to approve. Commissioner Kora seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Kora asked for a moment of silence for Adeline Macalka, he indicated that she passed away last night.

8. **DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS**

George Watkins-Veterans Service Officer-Appeared to thank all of the organizations that had Memorial Day events. He also informed the public that there are bricks that can be purchased in memory of veterans and he said this year they placed 47 bricks in honor of veterans.

Amanda Lahners-Health Department-Appeared to update the Commission on the outdoor Hydronic Heater Program. Patty Nocek indicated that the program had 81 applicants, 25 from LaPorte County. She indicated that LaPorte County received in excess of \$141,000.00 of the project funds to switch out Heaters. She indicated that the program was very successful. She said 3 of the people lived within a half mile of a school.

Barb Mossman-Human Resources appeared to provide information on the American Red Cross blood drive on June 17 at 10:00 a.m. She said they are taking appointments and walk ins.

John Dudek-911-Appeared to thank Jerry Cooley and his staff for switching an air conditioning unit for 911. He indicated that this saved the county a lot of money. He also said that Interact is successfully up and running. Jeff Wiatrowski-EMA-Appeared to update the Commission on the 800 MHZ Radios.

- 9. **CORRESPONDENCE**
- 10. REQUESTS
 - A. Tony Mancuso-Health Department-Request to travel to McCormick Place, Chicago.

Commissioner Kora moves to approve. Commissioner Bohacek seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.

- B. Andrew McGuire-EMS-Request approval for sick time pay for Rob Quinn, for eight (8) twenty four (24) hour shifts in the amount of \$1800.00.
 - Commissioner Bohacek moves to approve. Commissioner Kora seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.
- C. John Dudek-911-Request permission to go to Council for an appropriation for 8 dispatcher chairs. Commissioner Bohacek moves to approve. Commissioner Kora seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.
- D. Erika Stallworth-Juvenile Services-Request permission to travel to Tennessee.

Commissioner Kora moves to approve. Commissioner Bohacek seconds. Motion carried by voice vote. AND request to approach the Council for appropriation for new doors at the Center. Commissioner Bohacek moves to approve. Commissioner Kora seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.

11. OLD BUSINESS

A. Conduct public hearing regarding 5th batch of parcels for Hoosier Homestead Program.

B. Assignment of 5th batch of parcels to Housing Opportunities for Hoosier Homestead Program.

Commissioner Bohacek moves to approve. Commissioner Kora seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.

C. Mike Yacullo-Engineer-Opening of sealed bids for repair of Bridge #84, 86 and 129.

Mark Wilson appeared to receive the bids. Shaw Friedman opened the bids and read them aloud. Commissioner Kora moves to show the bids received and referred to the Highway Department Superintendent for review. Commissioner Bohacek seconds. Motion carried by voice vote. Commissioner Decker requested that they accept the Scaffolding bid on behalf of the maintenance department. Commissioner Bohacek moves to accept the bid for maintenance. Commissioner Kora seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.

12. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

13. <u>COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS</u>

Commissioner Kora indicated that at 1:00 today the Neonatal Task Force will be meeting. He stated that they are looking at ways to improve local Neonatal health. He further stated that they are looking at a grant application with other counties to try to get funding to help their cause. He said their goal is to move forward with a nurse or social worker program, he stated the doctors are excited about the possibility of having a social worker in all of the activities. He said this program will be presented to the Council at their next meeting, but in the meantime they are looking for more funding.

Commissioner Decker thanked the LaPorte County Health Department on the removal of the 5 heaters. He said that is quite an accomplishment, and he gave the State credit for offering the money.

14. ADJOURN

Commissioner Kora moved to adjourn.

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